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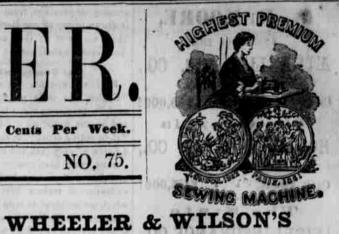
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the oars. There was a sufficiency of labor to employ every hand, and they undertook it earnestly and with a will.

On the crest of a mighty wave the two little boats were lifted high in air, above the agitated surface of the ses. The veil

of mists was parted for an instant, and the anxious group on shore caught sight of them, saw them still triumphantly battling with the billows, and they set up a joyous shout, loud and long, the faint-est echo of which reached the ears of the brave boatmen, and it encouraged them

The success of their doubtful struggle, they saw, would mainly depend on their keeping near together, within co-opera-ting distance. Thus far the little vessels had not parted company. A light but strong line trailed from the stern of one of the boats, and connected with the shore. This boat now swung in before its companion, and about thirty yards in advance.

their combined exertions a stouter rope was drawn from thore, attached to the life-boat, which a score of strong arms launched upon a retreating wave. After a brief but desperate struggle against wind and tide, it was drawn close up to the little boats. Four men from the crews of each leaped over the side of the life-boat, and bending to the long oars, slowly and laboriously made their way toward Sheppey Island.

pose, in towing the larger boat through the breakers, which could not have been done without such assistance. The boat is any other case would undo abtedly have been dashed in pieces. In return-ing they rowed in close to the shore, just before an advancing swell, which caught up the frail boats like corks, raising them high aloft, and deposited them bottom upward far up on the beach.

low and level to windward to afford them any degree of abelter from the fierce gale, until they had approached very near to it-On the narrow beach the excited group awaited the return of the life-boat, with

the most painful tear and anxiety. And as the long weary hours came and went, and night drew near without bringing any and night drew near without bringing any tidings or sign of the imperiled crew, this feeling increased to a terror of alarm little less poignant than certainty of the worst could be. worst could be.
At length darkness began to descend

that the child was not there. Indi-cations of her having been there that day, and evidences upon the beach of a hasty departure were discovered, but

came in, had borne them far out beyond the line of breakers.

One after another, in rapid succession, the mountainous billows charged upon the little boats, with their struggling crews, threatening them with instant destruction. But once well afloat, and out of reach of the breakers, they clambered over the side of their boats, and set to work in real sailor fashion, to triumph over wind and wave.

Several of them busied themselves in bailing out the accumulation of seawater, while their companions managed friends visited Skeppey Island for the

water, while their companions managed friends visited Sheppey Island for the purpose of making a more careful examination in every part. But it was all in vain, and the search was thence-forth abandoned as hopeless. The child was lost to the living—it was insane to believe or hope for anything else. Throughout that day, and a part of the next, a careful watch was kept along the shore for the body of little Mary, which they looked to see washed in by the tide.
But these were fruitless efforts all—
neither the child nor her boat were found,

nor any indications of either discovered. Then each returned to his accustome avocation, and the business affairs of the quiet neighborhood of Tandauk moved again in their wonted channels. One little form was missed among the goers and comers; one sweet face was seen no more at the country side or at the vil-lage market; one happy household was broken up, yet the loss was not so deeply felt in the public heart that the selfish interests of life could not eradicate all unpleasant traces of it, in the course of

no change had occurred in the few days that followed the sad events just narrated. Still this augured no good to the mem-bers of that unhappy household.

At first it was greatly feared that the terrible excitement to which Robbie had quite certain to follow, indeed.

But in this that professional jadgment erred. The lad, from the moment of his removal from that wild scene on the beach, had remained in a low, trance-like stupor, from which there was yet no awaking and no reaction.

from that absorbing sorrow that en-

thize with her in affliction as a sister could have been. This lady resided in Margate, and to her Lady Anna deter-

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no significance in a dream, and entreated him to dispel from his mind the impression it had left there.

The young man said no more about the matter, and John thought he had shaken off the strange influence of the

dream. Throughout the whole of that day, however, he was more silent and moody than usual, and exhibited an un-

For several hours the old servant rode on in silence, occupied with his own sad thoughts. At length, near mid-day, and

when within but a few miles of Tandauk. he yielded to a sudden impulse, and paused at an out of the way place to make inquiries. The reply he received was, that a youth such as he described had been seen in the morning crossing the fields at a rapid walk in the direction of John did not drive straight on to Tan-

dauk mansion. He knew too well that the poor boy was not there. Securing the assistance of a few kind friends, he led the way to the west side of the Point, opposite the group of fishermer's huts on the beach, and something more than a mile from them, directly over the ridge

those mysterious words, though mysterious to him no longer-'Laust I' the dews and fars, doon a' the brac."

There was but one such bill skirting the sea, and that was on the west side of the Point. A broad stretch of salt marsh, thickly matted by a growth of tall reeds and rushes, and darkly shaded by gnarled and knotty cypress trees, extended from the foot of this hill out to the edge of an open bay or recess of the sea. When a strong wind from the south or southeast prevailed for a considerable length of time the great waves rolled into this bay, swept in past the head of Sheppey Island, and rushed hissing and foaming through the dark cypress swamp, even to the foot of the hill beyond. Old John approached this dark, for-

bidding place with a sickening dread, an awful weight of horror on his mind, conscious that a fearful revelation would meet him there. There was a laborious search through the rank and tangled rushes of the swamp, but it did not con-tinue long. Their eyes at length rested, in a gaze of fixed and awful horror, on the object, rather the objects, of their search.

lay before them, bearing now no trace of that radiant beauty so lately animated by life and health. She lay where the cruel waves had wrecked her boat, among the knotted cypress trees. Half reclining against a fallen tree near by was the form of Robbie, only the mortal part, grieving and sorrowing now no longer. The dis-appointments, the pains and fatigues of life had borne too heavily upon him ; exhaustion and despair had given the separating blow that liberated his sor-rowing soul from earthly cares on that

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preved upon their minds, regarding the fate of little Mary. The storm was steadily relaxing its violence, but this subsidence was very gradual indeed. The billows still rolled mountain high and lashed the shore with foaming breakers. The rain had long since ceased to descend, yet the gale continued to blow from seaward, with very little abatement, or immediate prospect of it. The degree of calm which the anxious fishermen had been waiting for and confidently expecting had not been realized, and it was now no longer looked

for that day. Soon after the rain had somewhat abated its greatest volume and force, the narrow beach between the cliffs was threnged with people of all ages and of both sexes. They consisted principally of the humble dwellers on the Point and the adjoining upland—fishermen and their families, for the most part-with a few families, for the most part—with a tew small farmers, gardners and herdsmen, from the slopes of the Chatham hills. The sorrowful intelligence which caused them, one and all, to gather there,

had traveled through the neighborhood like wild fire, as it always noes, through unaccountable channels of communication, so that before the veiled sun went darkness that night, scores of the kind, simple-hearted country people who knew and loved little Mary for her gentleness and purity, were mourning the terrible fate which had in all probability overtaken her.

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Instantly, as if with one and the same impulse, the watchful boatmen turned about with their faces toward the sea and ran as fast as possible in that direction, forcing their light boats farther out toward deep water. The returning swell came down upon them-it caught them up, and before another advancing wave

Meanwhile, the two coasters, each in charge of two men, put about toward shore, having accomplished their pur-

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This was crushing intelligence to the poor mother, who had through all hoped, and more than half expected, that her child would be found on the island. They

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been subjected, together with his reckless exposure to the rigor of a violent tem-pest, would result in sudden and severe illness; which, in his enfeebled condition, could only terminate fatally. The best medical counsel that could be obtained was promptly called in, and the professional judgment was that sudden reac-

For a time this was thought to be the result of powerful mental tension, a deep, despairing grief, which would wear itself out, and result in great mental and phys-ical prostration. But as the days went present peril and deep anxiety to urge them on to almost greater than human exertion, they could not in all probability have accomplished.

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